

III. REMARKS

1. Claims 1, 7, 11, 13 and 15 are amended.

2. Claims 1, 7, 11, 13 and 15 are amended to address the 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph objections noted by the Examiner. Applicant appreciates the Examiner's indication of the allowability of claims 7 and 13.

3. Claims 1-6, 8-12 and 15 are not anticipated by Cobo et al. ("Cobo") (U.S. Patent No. 6,496,690) under 35 U.S.C. §102(e).

Applicant's invention recites, in claims 1, 11 and 15, that at least one of the service type indicators defines a category and that "an indicator value indicating the specific use, as a subtype that falls within a category defined by a service type indicator value" is transmitted in the activation request message.

This is not disclosed or suggested by Cobo. While Cobo discloses sending a prepaid type indicator, the indicator is the same for all connections requested by a particular subscriber, completely irrelevant of use.

The clarifications to the claims should underlie the significance of the indicator values and that they refer to service-specific, and not **subscription-specific** information. Thus, Cobo does not disclose or suggest Applicant's invention.

In Cobo, the information about the subscription being prepaid is not connection specific, but is rather subscription-specific information. Applicant's invention claims indicating the specific use of a packet-switched communication connection between a mobile station and a fixed packet switched data


transmission network, not merely the nature of a subscription. Cobo merely indicates the nature of a whole subscription and only passes the information about the subscription being prepaid between the network elements of the fixed network.

Furthermore, in Applicant's invention, as recited in claims 1 and 11, the "indication" is transmitted in an activation request message and not in a create-type request message as in Cobo. In Cobo, at 83, the SGSN sends a Create PDP context message to the GGSN and includes the PPSC 40 (Col. 7, lines 50-51). This is not the same as the Activation Request Message of Applicant's invention.

For all of the foregoing reasons, it is respectfully submitted that all of the claims now present in the application are clearly novel and patentable over the prior art of record, and are in proper form for allowance. Accordingly, favorable reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested. Should any unresolved issues remain, the Examiner is invited to call Applicants' attorney at the telephone number indicated below.

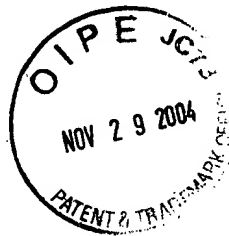
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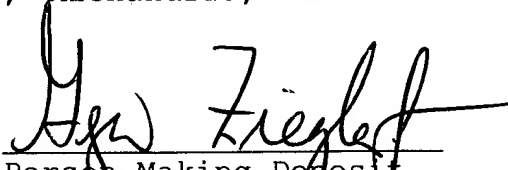
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